

**RESOLUTION OF THE  
EL CENTRO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & VISITORS BUREAU**

**APPROVING THE SALTON SEA AUTHORITY  
CONCPETUAL PLAN FOR MULTI-PURPOSE PROJECT**

**WHEREAS**, the Salton Sea is California's largest inland water body with beneficial uses including fisheries and wildlife habitat, recreation, and preservation of endangered species; and

**WHEREAS**, the Salton Seas ecosystem is a critical link on the international Pacific flyway and has supported over 400 species of birds and a productive fishery; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sea is threatened by increasing salinity and water loss; and

**WHEREAS**, the Salton Sea Authority is a joint powers agency formed under the laws of the State of California by a Joint Powers Agreement dated 1993, is the lead agency for identifying and implementing corrective measures to preserve the beneficial uses of the Sea; and

**WHEREAS**, the Salton Sea Authority has conducted extensive research and scientific investigation of the Salton Sea and has studied numerous alternative measures to restore and revitalize the Sea; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 29, 2006, the Board of Directors of the Salton Sea Authority voted unanimously to adopt the Executive Summary of the Salton Sea Authority Conceptual Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the El Centro Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau finds that the Salton Sea Authority Conceptual Plan best meets the needs to provide wildlife habitats, improve water quality, and protect air quality in our region; and

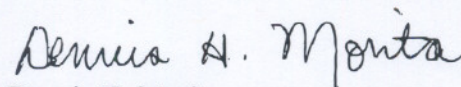
**WHEREAS**, the Salton Sea Conceptual Plan also creates major recreational and economic development opportunities in the County of Imperial service territory; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:**

The Chamber hereby supports the "Salton Sea Authority Conceptual Plan for Multi-Purpose Project" as the Chamber's preferred plan for restoration and revitalization of the Salton Sea; and

The Chamber encourages the State of California and the Department of the Interior to select the Salton Sea Authority Conceptual Plan as their preferred alternative for Salton Sea restoration and revitalization.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** by the Board of the El Centro Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau during this regularly scheduled meeting on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2006.



Dennis H. Morita  
President  
El Centro Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau